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June 26, 2014

Mr. Jared Manning, P.E. Assistant State Engineer Division of Water Rights 1594 West North Temple, Suite 2200 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-6300

Re: Return Flow Credit Authorization under Water Right 55-262 (A12144)

Dear Jared:

Transmitted previously is a Technical Memorandum prepared by Bowen Collins & Associates on behalf of the Association. The Memorandum details the problems with the previous method of calculation and the proposed new method for calculating the above referenced return flows we have been discussing with you and others in the State Engineer's office. A short summary of the issues with the previous method is that it is based on third party information which is not always available and it calculates cumulatively from a beginning point. Without all the necessary data, assumptions would need to be made, introducing errors which would then compound over time yielding inaccurate calculations. We request your continued review and approval of the proposed new method of calculation.

The proposed method of calculation indicates that there has been an accumulation of 15,616 ac-ft of Association return flow water in Utah Lake since the Lake spilled in 2011. This is after accounting for evaporation of 16% per year. We are confident that this water is in Utah Lake and available for exchange. Based on the accumulated runoff from the Provo River system this year, there is a minimum of 9,000 ac-ft of Utah Lake system storage water in Deer Creek and Jordanelle Reservoirs that would belong to the Association if the Utah Lake conversion line had been reached.

We request that the Association be granted the exchange of this 9,000 ac-ft of return flow water for Utah Lake system storage water held currently upstream in the two reservoirs. In the event that the Provo River Commissioner determines that there is more system storage available to the Association we will submit a subsequent request to exchange up to the full 15,616 ac-ft.

We appreciate the efforts expended by the State Engineers office on this and other issues affecting the Association and others and look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely:

Provo River Water Users Association

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